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TO: Senate Natural Resources Committee Members
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FROM: Dan Wyant, Director

DATE: September 11, 2015

SUBJECT: Report on Utilization of Revenues of the Scrap Tire Regulatory Fund (Fund)

In accordance with Section 16911(1) of Part 169, Scrap Tires, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended, the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is required to report annually to the Legislature on the utilization of revenues of the Fund.

During fiscal year (FY) 2014, a total of \$3,285,710 was expended from the Fund; \$1,285,627 was expended for the administration and operations of the Regulatory Program and \$2,000,083 was expended for Scrap Tire Grants (\$296,024 for Scrap Tire Cleanup Grants and \$1,704,059 for Scrap Tire Market Development Grants.) A total of \$2,977,890 was encumbered at the close of FY 2014 for Grants that were awarded but not completed during FY 2014.

Effective October 1, 2015, the tire disposal surcharge fee sunset is December 31, 2019. Maintaining a reliable funding level for the Scrap Tire Regulatory Program is important in order to address existing stockpiles and smaller accumulations of scrap tires through the Scrap Tire Cleanup Grant Program. Maintaining this funding is also important in order to enforce state regulations and fund Market Development Grants to expand scrap tire markets in order to avoid the potential for reappearance of scrap tire stockpiles. Both of these are essential in order to reduce the potential public health and environmental concerns, such as fire and mosquitoes, associated with scrap tires.

If you need further information, please contact Bryce Feighner, P.E., Chief, Office of Waste Management and Radiological Protection, at 517-284-6551; or you may contact me at 517-284-6700.

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